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MODULE DESCRIPTOR					
Module Title					
Introduction to Telecommunications					
Reference	EN2520	Version	5		
Created	May 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 8		
Approved	March 2004	SCQF Points	15		
Amended	May 2017	ECTS Points	7.5		

Aims of Module

To provide the student with the ability to analyse the fundamentals of communication techniques and information theory.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Apply standard mathematical principles to analysing signals and transmission systems.
- 2 Analyse simple digital and analogue based telecommunication systems.

Indicative Module Content

Fundamental concepts: Frequency, phase, amplitude. Information sources, time and frequency domain, bandwidth, noise. Basic modulation techniques. Radio receiver and transmitter topologies and parameters. Introduction to antennas and propagation. Brief history of telecommunications. Overview of analogue and digital communications and analogue and digital transmission. Digital transmission: sampling, Pulse Code Modulation, Multiplexing. Information Theory: channel capacity, performance bounds for data transmission. Data Transmission: Modems, Telecommunications standards, ADSL

Module Delivery

This is a lecture-based course supplemented with tutorial sessions and student-centred learning. Various topics will be supported by self directed student work using simulation tools.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	36
Non-Contact Hours	114	114
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours		N/A
TOTAL	150	150
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

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ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2

Description: Closed book examination.

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

To pass the module, you must achieve a 40% mark from the exam.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:		
Α	=>70%		
В	60-69%		
С	50-59%		
D	40-49%		
E	35-39%		
F	0-34%		
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination		

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module Successful completion of SCQF 7 level or equivalent.

Corequisites for module None.

Precluded Modules None.

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